

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2001 - 0900 MST
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate in the Southern Area and light elsewhere. Four new large fires were reported, three in Southern Area and one in Eastern Area. Four fires were contained, three in the Southern Area and two in the Eastern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Indiana, New Hampshire, West Virginia, North Carolina, Kentucky, Montana, and Colorado.

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

LARMON, National Forests of North Carolina. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Humphrey) is assigned. This fire is 2.5 miles northeast of Hot Springs, NC. Road closures and evacuations of private residences remain in effect. Threat continues to 66 primary residences and four outbuildings.

EASTERN DISTRICT COMPLEX, Kentucky Division of Forestry. This complex of 32 fires is located in six counties surrounding Betsy Lane, KY, and is under a unified command with a Type 2 Incident Management Team (Ferguson) and Kentucky Division of Forestry (Andersen). One new fire within the complex is being initial attacked. Containment was achieved on four new fires yesterday Pike county schools remain closed due smoke. Crews made good progress on several fires within this complex.

DISTRICT 2 RIDGECREST, Tennessee Division of Forestry. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Raley) is assigned. A projected wind event the next two days could seriously affect containment expectations. Structure protection/evacuation plans are being developed with assistance of the Red Cross, Tennessee Emergency Management Authority and Sevierville County Sheriff's Office.

REDBIRD FALL FIRES, Daniel Boone National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Bateman) is assigned and is working under a unified command with the Kentucky Division of Forestry. This complex of fires is located nine miles east of Manchester, KY. No significant change occurred.

CHATTAHOOCHEE FIRE SUPPORT, Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Studebaker) is assigned. The Team is located nine miles north of Dahlonega, GA, and is providing initial attack and rehabilitation support on the Chattahoochee-Oconee NF, including the Glass Mine (915 acres), Cooper Gap (88 acres), Picklesimer Inc. (200 acres), and Blue Lake (35 acres) fires.

SHARP, Great Smoky Mountains National Park. This fire started 11/10, and is located within the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and on private land. The fire has not reached Nolan and Deep Creek drainages.

KENTUCKY RIVER COMPLEX, Kentucky Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Sloan) is assigned. This complex is located in nine

counties surrounding Hazard, KY. This complex had four new starts yesterday, the largest one was contained at 40 acres. The National Guard is assisting with helicopter water drops.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT COMPLEX, Kentucky Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Farson) is assigned. This complex of fires is near Pikeville, Manchester and London, KY. No significant changes occurred.

NORTH END COMPLEX, Cherokee National Forest. This complex is located near Johnson City, TN., and includes the Green Mountain (2,200 acres), Peter's Cemetery (100 acres), Clark Creek (224 acres), Railroad Grade #4 (10 acres), Fork Mountain (2 acres), Pine Mountain (0.1 acre), Snake Spur (0.2 acre), and Snake Spur 2 (0.5 acre) fires. One new start occurred within this complex.

HIGH GROUNDS, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is six miles north of Hulbert, OK. Very little fire activity occurred yesterday.

ROCKY TOP, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is southeast of Stilwell, Oklahoma.

HILL TOP, Arkansas Forestry Commission. This fire is eight miles west-southwest of Harrison, AR. No significant changes occurred.

CLINCH MT., Virginia Department of Forestry. This fire is located near Gate City, VA. and is burning in steep and rugged terrain. Acreage adjustment is due to more accurate mapping. Burn out operations are underway.

GREAT GULF, Daniel Boone National Forest. This fire is located 20 miles southwest of Corbin, KY. No significant changes occurred. Burn out operations were successful.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
LARMON	NC	NCF	1266	15	UNK	360	12	6	4	0	155 K	
EASTERN DISTRICT	KY	KYS	25600	65	UNK	435	16	16	3	0	853 K	
DISTRICT 2 RIDGE	TN	TNS	620	35	11/19	155	16	16	3	0	853 K	
REDBIRD FALL FIRE	KY	DBF	15738	90	UNK	576	18	22	3	0	5.8 M	
CHATTAHOOCHEE FIRE	GA	CHF	1238	UNK	UNK	UNK	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
SHARP	IN	GSP	3713	UNK	UNK	90	3		1	0	400 K	
KENTUCKY RIVER	KY	KYS	34890	90	11/20	159	7	4		0	NR	
SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT	KY	KYS	10212	98	UNK	270	10	8	2	0	NR	
NORTH END COMPLEX	TN	CNF	2540	95	UNK	225	8	8	1	0	331 K	
HIGH GROUNDS	OK	OKS	600	95	11/16	UNK	0	1	0	0	NR	
ROCKY TOP	OK	OKS	100	90	11/17	UNK	0	1	0	0	NR	
HILL TOP	AR	ARS	350	UNK	UNK	40	0	0	0	0	NR	
CLINCH MT.	VA	VAS	1100	70	UNK	150	6	9	1	0	150 K	
GREAT GULF	KY	DBF	780	95	---	46K	2	0	0	0	NR	
TRACT FORK	VA	VAF	115	100	---	-	-	-	-	---	---	

VAF = George Washington and Jefferson National Forests

EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

PUNKIN, Mark Twain National Forest. This fire is seven miles northwest of West Plains, Missouri. The fire is burning in a mixed hardwood forest.

DRY FORK, Mark Twain National Forest. This fire is located five miles southwest of Fremont, MO. No significant changes have occurred.

DOGTAIL, New York Forest Rangers. This fire is located 18 miles east of Poughkeepsie, NY, and is burning in New York and Connecticut. No significant changes occurred.

WHITE OAK, West Virginia State Forestry. This fire is five miles from Gilbert, WV.

GRAPEVINE CREEK, West Virginia State Forestry. This fire is near Matewan, WV, and is currently in a patrol status.

HIGHWAY 218, Ohio Division of Forestry. This fire is located near Scottown, OH. The fire is burning on private land.

ROUND BOTTOM CREEK, West Virginia Commerce Forestry Division. This fire is near the town of Peytona, WV. The West Virginia National Guard is providing support.

SANDLICK BRANCH, West Virginia Commerce Forestry Division. This fire is located in Logan County, WV. The West Virginia National Guard is providing support.

HEAD OF TRACE BRANCH OF MILL CREEK, West Virginia Commerce Forestry Division. This fire is located close to Fort Gay, WV, and is burning near a residential area. Smoke and traffic are hampering suppression efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$ LOSS	C-T-D
PUNKIN	MO	MTF	151	95	UNK	9					UNK	
DRY FORK	MO	MTF	100	95	UNK	4					NR	
DOGTAIL	NY	NYS	380	90	UNK	28				0	NR	
WHITE OAK	WV	WVS	750	90	UNK	UNK	2			0	2 K	
GRAPEVINE CREEK	WV	WVS	100	90	UNK	24				0	3K	
HIGHWAY 218	OH	OHS	252	90	UNK	8				0	NR	
ROUND BOTTOM CR	WV	WVS	500	75	11/16	20	2			0	2 K	
SANDLICK BRANCH	WV	WVS	500	60	UNK	17	2			0	1.5 K	
HEAD OF TRACE B	WV	WVS	100	90	UNK	15	1			0	1 K	
INDIAN SPRING	MD	MDS	1000	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	---	
KENT	CT	CTS	570	100	---	-	-	-	---	---	---	

MDS = Maryland Forest Service

OUTLOOK:

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN PORTIONS OF THE FLORIDA PANHANDLE

FOR LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITIES ***

High pressure will maintain its grip over a majority of the Southern Area today. Low pressure and an onshore flow of Gulf moisture will continue to affect a large portion of Texas and Oklahoma, with scattered showers and thunderstorms forecasted for the region. Flash flood watches are in effect for portions of south Texas through Saturday. Patchy morning fog with mostly sunny and mild conditions will prevail later today from Kentucky, Tennessee, and Mississippi eastward to the Atlantic. Scattered clouds and a few showers may reach western Louisiana and Arkansas. Temperatures will be in the mid 60s to near 70, with lower 80s in Florida. Minimum relative humidity will be 27 to 37 percent in the southern Appalachian Mountains and vicinity, 40 to 60 percent in the rest of the region, and 70 percent in some portions of Texas and Oklahoma. Winds will be light and variable in the southern Appalachian Mountains and vicinity. Winds will be north to northeast at 5 to 10 mph from the Carolinas through northern Florida, and northeast at 10 to 20 mph for the remainder of Florida. Winds will be east to southeast at 5 to 10 mph from Alabama westward. Precipitation amounts of 1/10 to 1 / 2 inch are possible across the area, with up to 2 inches possible in Texas.

A weak trough will move through the central portion of southern California with a little cooler weather expected. Expect partly cloudy conditions to the north and mostly sunny conditions to the south. Maximum temperatures will be in the 60s for the mountains, 70s for the valleys, and low 80s in the deserts. Minimum relative humidities will be 25 to 35 percent. Winds will be south to southwest at 10 to 15 mph.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
NORTHWEST	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
CA-SOUTH	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES	10		3				13
NORTHERN	ACRES	106		105				211
GB-EAST	FIRES					0		0
GB-EAST	ACRES					1		1
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
GB-WEST	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES					5		5
SOUTHWEST	ACRES					34		34
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
ROCKY MTN	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES					22	2	24
EASTERN	ACRES					1157	158	1315
SOUTHERN	FIRES	1				257	14	272
SOUTHERN	ACRES	50				10614	1036	11700

TOTAL	FIRES	11	0	3	0	284	16	314
TOTAL	ACRES	156	0	105	0	11806	1194	13261

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	2	2	16	2	324	3	349
ALASKA	ACRES	0	1085	1613	5842	205080	3263	216883
NORTHWEST	FIRES	271	430	29	47	1999	1780	4556
NORTHWEST	ACRES	98139	293594	7339	972	99877	107039	606960
CA-NORTH	FIRES	186	80	7	26	3361	1271	4931
CA-NORTH	ACRES	291	75032	4370	5	50423	107075	237196
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	118	320	21	89	2850	922	4320
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	438	9240	1369	19	41887	38265	91218
NORTHERN	FIRE	903	52	29	38	843	884	2749
NORTHERN	ACRES	11036	4921	562	2858	15577	133677	168631
GB-EAST	FIRES	78	1082	2	63	782	1181	3188
GB-EAST	ACRES	728	103168	577	903	153177	53751	312304
GB-WEST	FIRES	19	710	4	16	167	250	1166
GB-WEST	ACRES	8982	501916	1	812	30121	61787	603619
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1229	192	18	44	784	1863	4130
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	7106	5498	4569	1083	19918	23186	61360
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	348	719	30	68	658	648	2471
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	2189	14768	301	538	103687	16369	137852
EASTERN	FIRES	351		10	63	16493	593	17510
EASTERN	ACRES	14934		18	505	159294	7192	181943
SOUTHERN	FIRES	98		85	1089	31421	1057	33750
SOUTHERN	ACRES	5688		23227	37579	769278	40015	875787
TOTALS	FIRES	3603	3587	251	1545	59682	10452	79120
TOTALS	ACRES	149531	1009222	43946	51116	1648319	591619	3493753

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
NORTHWEST	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
CA-SOUTH	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES			10				10
NORTHERN	ACRES			793				793
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
GB-EAST	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0

GB-WEST	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
SOUTHWEST	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
ROCKY MTN	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES					1		1
EASTERN	ACRES					50		50
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	10	0	1	0	11
TOTAL	ACRES	0	0	793	0	50	0	843

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES		1	1		3	1	6
ALASKA	ACRES		5	745		449	1081	2280
NORTHWEST	FIRES	23	102	12		29	489	655
NORTHWEST	ACRES	5621	53920	10826		3226	63442	137035
CA-NORTH	FIRES	20	7	31	13		201	272
CA-NORTH	ACRES	262	160	14743	2581		21299	39045
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	1	2	13	4		66	86
CA-SOUTH	ACRES	5	12	828	347		10344	11536
NORTHERN	FIRES	22	11	190	2	103	420	748
NORTHERN	ACRES	1771	7730	25791	950	6038	32485	74765
GB-EAST	FIRES		22	7	7	48	144	228
GB-EAST	ACRES		19340	2988	1545	3523	35825	63221
GB-WEST	FIRES		14	2	1		2	19
GB-WEST	ACRES		7851	3765	0		182	11798
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	28	37	17	2	2	347	433
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	7910	25117	36260	995	500	80494	151276
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	3	35	121	3	6	72	240
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	3000	11660	15420	303	1057	36197	67637
EASTERN	FIRES	10		75	14	339	163	601
EASTERN	ACRES	8641		22562	1776	48412	9680	91071
SOUTHERN	FIRES	7		221	15	142	974	1359
SOUTHERN	ACRES	718		72323	35183	87959	731872	928055
TOTAL	FIRES	114	231	690	61	672	2879	4647
TOTAL	ACRES	27928	125795	206251	43680	151164	1022901	1577719

WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES				2		2	4
NORTHWEST	ACRES				1		1	2

CA-NORTH	FIRES									0
CA-NORTH	ACRES									0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES					38		12		50
CA-SOUTH	ACRES					12029		254		12283
NORTHERN	FIRES					16		53		69
NORTHERN	ACRES					3977		52199		56176
GB-EAST	FIRES					2		3		5
GB-EAST	ACRES					610		598		1208
GB-WEST	FIRES	2	33			1		1		37
GB-WEST	ACRES	0	7801			618		1		8420
SOUTHWEST	FIRES					5		24		29
SOUTHWEST	ACRES					2873		8376		11249
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	1	23	1		2		14		41
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	0	2492	48		925		963		4428
EASTERN	FIRES									0
EASTERN	ACRES									0
SOUTHERN	FIRES									0
SOUTHERN	ACRES									0
TOTAL	FIRES	3	56	1		66	0	109		235
TOTAL	ACRES	0	10293	48		21033	0	62392		93766

RESOURCE STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

Area	Crews		Engs		Heli		Airt		Ovrhd	
	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT	Fed	ST/OT
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	1		2						3	
CA-NORTH										
CA-SOUTH					1		1			
NORTHERN										
GB-EAST										
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST									7	
ROCKY MTN										
EASTERN	1	8	2	1					17	72
SOUTHERN	60	32	16	55	12	13		0	300	221
TOTAL	62	40	20	56	13	13	1	0	327	293

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